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For : METHODS FOR INHIBITING THROMBOSIS IN A PATIENT
WHOSE BLOOD IS SUBJECT TO EXTRACORPOREAL
CIRCULATION

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is submitted in order to address the Examiner's rejections and objections set forth in the September 28, 2005 Final Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and the Examiner's remarks made in the November 21, 2005 and December 8, 2005 telephonic interviews between the undersigned attorney and Examiner Jeffrey Russel, all in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 28, 2005 Final Office Action is due December 28, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment and the accompanying request for continued examination (RCE) are being timely filed.